

HITS AT RAILROADS

TILLMAN CLAIMS THEY HAVE BOTTLED UP CHARLESTON.

ASKS SENATE FOR PROBE

Senator Presents Resolution for Inquiry Into Coal Situation—He Charges That Railroads Dominated by Hostile Finance, Do South Carolina Port Serious Injury.

Charging that the Southern railway was dominated by men not financially interested in coal mines in its own territory but in mines elsewhere and that for this reason the Southern was not allowed to move coal through the port of Charleston, S. C., Senator Tillman Tuesday introduced a resolution for a special investigation by the naval affairs committee into advantages of Charleston as a permanent point for coal distribution as compared with Norfolk and other Chesapeake bay ports.

The committee would be directed to investigate the character and proximity of the coal supply; rates obtainable on coal from fields near Charleston and Norfolk; relations between railroads leading into Charleston and other South Atlantic ports and between these railroads and owners of bituminous fields in Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Kentucky; and conditions of ownership of wharfage property in Charleston and Norfolk.

Senator Tillman set forth that "it appears from numerous complaints before the interstate commerce commission as well as from other sources that the power and influence of the so-called coal trust is being persistently used through the management of the railroads reaching Charleston to prevent the free movement of coal not belonging to the coal trust, practically all of such roads being actually dominated by the same financial interests that control the great coal combines finding outlet chiefly through New York harbor, Philadelphia and the Chesapeake bay ports."

Mr. Tillman declared in his resolution that "in view of the early completion of the isthmian canal and of its importance to the United States navy and of the national defense generally, to the development of an American merchant marine and to the development of trade with Central and South American countries, the establishment of adequate coal supplying facilities south of Cape Hatteras is deemed imperative, and the only available harbor having sufficient depth for the modern battleships and larger merchant vessels, as well as extensive water frontage for the proper handling of coal, is located at Charleston, S. C."

Arguing that the efficiency of the American fleet and the usefulness of Charleston as a coal distributing center depend upon facilities of producers for reaching that port, Senator Tillman said:

"The efficiency of the fleet and the usefulness and efficiency of Charleston as a coal distributing center must necessarily depend upon the facilities of the coal producers for reaching that port, and of their ability to procure distributing facilities, and upon the ability of the shipping interests to procure rating and handling facilities in a manner which shall be unqualifiedly accessible to all shippers and carriers alike on the same terms and conditions."

"The Southern railway is dominated by financiers, who are not financially interested in the coal mines of the territory traversed by the Southern railway, but who are interested in coal properties elsewhere, and due to the power and influence of these men it is believed that the Southern railway is not allowed to move coal through the port of Charleston, where coal might become competitive to their larger interests elsewhere."

"As a concrete example of the flagrant abuse of power, the Southern railway, having had for ten years its own rails reaching from Charleston to the great developed coal fields of Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky, and reaching developed mines with a present annual capacity of from 12,000,000 to 15,000,000 tons of coal, which has no other outlet to tide-water, has moved no coal for outlet at that port, and has made no provision for docks, notwithstanding the fact that it controls its own riparian privileges at Charleston."

"It is believed that efforts are now being made by individuals acting for the so-called coal trust to acquire the rights for coal docks and terminal facilities in Charleston so as to monopolize the terminal facilities there in the same way that the big interests now dominate New York harbor, Philadelphia, Baltimore and the ports of the Chesapeake bay."

"It is believed that the so-called coal trust is using other railroads leading to the coal fields in a similar manner, not only to destroy private property, but in many instances wholly against the interest of the railroad, thus used and tyrannically unjust to the country in which these railroads are located and from which they receive their revenue and protection."

"It is believed that these railroads, all being dominated by the same influence, maintain a secret rate-making body of men in defiance of the law, who 'farm-out' the territory and make freight tariffs in such manner as to be free from every element of competition and who have practically destroyed the usefulness of the interstate commerce commission insofar as it affects the average shipper and the great shippers on account of the delay brought about by the tactics of the railroad whose agents resort to every method known to political trickery."

"It is not only necessary in the interest of the naval station, but for the protection of the whole country and particularly of that section of the country served by the railroads which lead into Charleston, that a thorough investigation be forthwith made to ascertain the whole truth to the end that these abuses may be permanently stopped by the enactment of proper laws, and that the port of Charleston may not be controlled by any trust or faction or individual, but be open to the use and needs of the United States and to all carriers and to all shippers on the same basis."

NATION NOT INVOLVED

NO VIOLATION OF SOVEREIGNTY IN MEXICAN TRIP.

As the Seizure of Vergara's Body Was Accomplished by Individuals, U. S. Does Nothing.

Comprehensive reports from Brigadier-General Bliss and American Consul Garrett, at Laredo, received at the war and state departments Tuesday cleared up the mystery which had surrounded the delivery on American rancher, Clements Vergara. The reports completely satisfied the officials that no act has been committed by national or state agents in violation of Mexican sovereignty, and that if there were any offense in the removal of the body from Mexico, it was committed by individuals, so the matter could not be made an international issue.

Secretary Bryan stated that he would not undertake to prosecute the persons who obtained the body, even if he knew their identity, which he did not, beyond the fact, established by General Bliss' report that they were civilians and probably Mexicans. The finding of the body of Vergara has had the result of advancing the prosecution of the claim against the Huerta government for reparation, and Secretary Bryan transmitted the telegraphic report from Consul Garrett to Charge O'Shaughnessy in the City of Mexico.

It is understood that the primary purpose of this is to disprove the original allegation of the Mexican federal commander at Nuevo Laredo that Vergara had made his escape from captivity and joined the Constitutionalists. With the body in evidence, as soon as further facts as to the character of Vergara's investigations are developed by the investigation Gov. Colquhoun is making, Mr. O'Shaughnessy will be prepared to call upon General Huerta to redeem his promise to deliver the federal officers who killed Vergara.

Secretary Garrison received from Brig. Gen. Tasker H. Bliss, commanding the American border forces, the following report on the Vergara case by Capt. H. P. Howard, of the Fourteenth United States Cavalry: "Investigation shows Vergara was taken from the Hidalgo cemetery Saturday night by relatives of Vergara and hired Mexicans. Captain Sanders states positively no Texas rangers crossed the border. He met the body at a landing opposite San Enrique with Undertaker Convery Sunday morning. Convery brought the body to Laredo 7:30 p. m., Sunday. He states there were no signs of burns on the body. Found four bullet holes. Neck chafed but not broken. Body decomposed but pants match coat left at home by Vergara. Identification seems reliable. Recovery of body said to have cost T. Hill, brother-in-law of Vergara, \$400. Body being held at request of Adjutant-General Hutchings. No excitement."

No conflict will arise between the federal government and the state of Texas over the recovery of the body of Vergara, the murdered American ranchman.

CUTTING IN AIKEN COUNTY.

Paroled Convict Cuts Man and Makes His Escape.

Thursday afternoon Robert Key, a well known white man of the Silverton section was carried to Aiken, having been severely cut by Calvin Ready, a former convict, paroled by Gov. Bleasie in 1912. Key had three deep cuts across the back and several across the arm, and the doctors had to take many stitches in his wounds.

Rural Policemen Samuels and Deputy Robinson went to the scene of the trouble but Ready had fled, and it is thought that he has made his escape into Georgia. From the story told by the officers, it seems that Ready was paying attention to a younger sister of Key, and the latter objected to this attention on account of Ready's reputation, and that Tuesday afternoon Ready slipped up to Key and cut him, with the above results.

Chester Child Burned to Death.

The child of Sam Rainey, a negro of Chester, was found dead by his mother on her return home Tuesday afternoon. It had fallen among the blazing wood fire and was horribly burned.

Robbers Kill Railroad Cop.

When Michael Guerin, a railroad policeman, resisted robbers who attempted to board a Southern Pacific passenger train near San Jose, Cal., Thursday, he was shot to death.

Scalded by Steam.

Engineer R. C. Carter, of the Southern railroad was severely burned Saturday afternoon at Newberry, when a bolt on his engine blew off, enveloping him in released steam.

Greenville Boy Falls off Roof.

While playing on the second story of a house under construction Wednesday at Greenville Frank Howell, aged three, fell to the ground, and was killed instantly.

Live Wire Burns Engineer.

While working near a live wire at Chester Robert Bell accidentally hit it. All his clothing was burned off his body and he was seriously hurt, his hands necessitating amputation.

Orchard Purchase Causes Bloodshed.

After quarrelling with Marks Skarich over the sale of an orchard Tony Klicnovitch, of San Francisco, shot him and his wife and then committed suicide last Saturday.

Dog Gives Life for Boy.

Arthur Potts, aged thirteen of Bristol, Va., owes his life to the bravery of his dog, who gave fight when a ferocious panther attacked them Friday.

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PICKED UP ADRIFT

TEXAN RANGERS CROSS THE RIO GRANDE TO GET BODY.

WERE READY TO GIVE UP

Icy Fingers of Death Are Cheated

When Captain and Crew Are Rescued With Clothes Frozen to Their Backs—Four Half Dead When Taken Aboard Rescuing Steamer.

Adrift in the open sea, with their clothing frozen and snow falling, seventeen sailors Saturday prepared for death. Already four of the crew, lying in the bottom of the boat were dying, and with night fast approaching hope was gone. But a passing steamer sees their plight and turning about in the barren waste of snow-littered sea, cheats the icy fingers of death.

The steamer Charlemagne Tower, Jr., Saturday sank near the coast of Virginia, within three-quarters of a mile to safety. The first officer and three members of the crew were brought ashore. The captain and sixteen men took a long boat, but it was so overcrowded that they were afraid to try landing it over the sand bars that fringed the shore. Snow was falling as they disappeared in the sea. Lifeboats attempted to rescue them but were unable to be launched on account of the high sand bars.

With four men half dead from exposure, the shipwreck crew were picked up near Barnegat Light of the Virginia coast Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock during a blinding snow storm, five miles south of where the Charlemagne Tower, Jr., foundered. Their light attracting the attention of Captain Beranger, of the steamer Bayport just as that steamer was in the act of passing the small boat.

Snow was falling heavily and it was fast growing dark. Captain Beranger, who was on the bridge, barely could see the light as it flared up. The Bayport put about and discovered the half frozen and snow-crowded cargo, some of the men were forced to lie in the bottom of the boat and these were in worse condition than the others, four of them being restored with difficulty after being taken aboard the Bayport.

Captain Simmons of the sunken ship did not know of the rescue of First Officer Thompson, one freeman and two seamen, until his arrival in port, as when last seen the men were struggling in the surf, their small boat having been swamped. The larger boat put toward the open sea, fearing a similar fate. Unable to make headway in the rough sea, which poured water into their little craft almost as fast as it could be bailed out, the men decided to drift and depend on being picked up.

They huddled together so benumbed and water-soaked that they hardly cared toward the last whether death came or not. It was 5 o'clock and snowing hard when they saw the lights of the Bayport and set off a torch. Had this not been seen and a response made, Captain Simmons said he and his men could not have survived many more hours.

In explaining the foundering of the Charlemagne Tower, Jr., Captain Simmons said that her bottom seams the vessel being of wood, opened and about 7 a. m. Friday water poured in at such a rate that two hours later the ship was filled to her upper beams. He and his men barely had time to get off in the only two small boats the steamer carried before she plunged to the bottom. First Mate Thompson and three men took to the small boat and the remainder of the crew crowded into the twenty-foot boat picked up by the Bayport.

PRESENT LOVING CUP.

Ladies of Columbia Honor Dr. Eleanor B. Saunders.

A handsome, silver loving cup, gold-lined, was sent Thursday afternoon to Dr. Eleanor B. Saunders, the woman physician at the State Hospital "by the women of Columbia, as a token of their admiration for her ability, their confidence in her as a woman, their faith in her integrity of purpose and her unselfish devotion to duty."

That was the inscription which the cup bore engraved upon one of its chaste, plain sides.

The cup is about ten inches high with a bowl shaped vessel about 24 inches in circumference and stands upon a silver band mirror. The women of Columbia were deeply interested in the part Dr. Saunders played in the recent asylum investigation and numbers of individuals, clubs and committees addressed to her letters of indorsement and of sympathy, before the committee made its report giving her complete vindication.

Rescued by Hooks.

First officer Hart of the Clyde Liner Cherokee narrowly missed death Thursday at Georgetown. He fell in the water while launching a boat, and had to be pulled out with boat hooks.

Congratulate Dr. Saunders.

At a special meeting of the Palmetto Book Club of Chester a motion was passed congratulating Dr. Saunders upon her complete exoneration in the recent asylum investigation.

Boy Fails to Dodge Autos.

Ethen Adams, a seven-year-old Atlanta boy, was seriously hurt Tuesday when hit by a speeding auto. The little fellow succeeded in dodging two cars before being struck.

Burns Prove Fatal.

His clothes catching fire Sunday night as he was preparing to retire J. W. Nabers, ten years old, of Abbeville, died the next day as a result of his injuries.

South Carolina Girl Disappeared.

Arriving in Savannah to shop with her parents, Miss Maud Pritchard, of Pritchardville, disappeared Friday and was found Sunday in Charleston.

CONVICT NEGRO ROGERS

CHESTER JURY FINDS HIM GUILTY OF FOUL MURDER.

One of Three Negro Conspirators

Who in the Dark of Night Fired on a Man Sitting in His Home.

Greenwood Rogers, a negro, charged with the murder of George F. Young, was found guilty of murder at Chester Tuesday night at 9 o'clock with recommendation to mercy. Mr. Young, a prominent Laurens county planter and owner of Stomp Springs, was killed January 12 at the springs and his home burned over his body. The principal witness for the State, Tom Young, who made a confession, and implicator Rogers and Junk Caldwell shortly after the tragedy, went on the stand and told practically the same story that he related to the officers.

He swore that murder of Mr. Young was the result of a conspiracy between the three of them entered into the Saturday night before the killing on the following Monday night and that it was planned by Rogers. They went to the Young home about midnight. Mr. Young had not retired. They called him to the door. Mr. Young walked towards the fireplace when Rogers pushed his gun forward and shot Mr. Young in the right side. Rogers then entered the room and struck Mr. Young with an axe, crushing his head. Mr. Young groaned several times but never spoke.

Robbers then secured what money he could find and then got some meat and other articles. After going out Rogers divided the money with the other two, carried the meat and other provisions to his house and then went back and set fire to the Young cottage. Rogers denied all connection with the murder and said he was at home all night, going in just at daylight. His mother swore to the same statement. She swore that she kept a light burning all night and did not go to bed herself until after midnight, as was her habit. Rogers denied that he had made threats against Mr. Young or that he carried a pistol for him.

Ten witnesses were put up by the State and about the same number by the defense. It is stated that Junk Caldwell, one of the three charged with the murder, has made a confession similar to that made by Tom Young.

SPENDS LEAST OF ALL.

Expenditures for Public School Children Small in This State.

South Carolina's standing among the states regarding the expenditure per child is found in the new Russell Sage bulletin on the public school systems of the various states. The standing of South Carolina is shown by the following comparative statement:

Idaho	23
Washington	20
California	27
New York	25
Massachusetts	25
Nevada	25
Montana	24
Colorado	23
Illinois	23
Ohio	22
Connecticut	22
New Jersey	22
North Dakota	21
Arizona	21
Vermont	21
Oregon	21
Rhode Island	21
Wyoming	20
Utah	20
Minnesota	20
New Hampshire	20
South Dakota	20
Iowa	20
Indiana	19
Michigan	18
Pennsylvania	18
Nebraska	18
Maine	17
Kansas	16
Wisconsin	15
Missouri	14
Oklahoma	13
West Virginia	11
Delaware	11
Maryland	10
Florida	8
New Mexico	7
Louisiana	7
Texas	7
Kentucky	7
Virginia	6
Arkansas	6
Tennessee	6
Georgia	4
Mississippi	4
Alabama	4
North Carolina	4
South Carolina	3

YOUNG MEN ARE HURT.

Two Saluda White Men Suffer Injuries in Fight.

In a "mix-up" Sunday between Will Adams and Kirksey Walton, two young white men of Saluda, Adams received two gunshot wounds and Walton had his throat cut. The affair occurred at the home of young Walton, some seven miles west of Saluda. One of the wounds received by Adams was in his arm and the other in his leg. Walton was pretty severely cut about the neck and throat. He had a very narrow escape, for it was by a hair's breadth that his jugular vein was not reached.

Have Fatal Quarrel on Train.

R. L. Taylor and A. D. Beavers, of Welch, W. Va., were mortally wounded Tuesday in a pistol fight on board train. Another participant was shot through the thigh.

Lightning Kills Engineer.

While working on a wire uncharged with electricity, Frank Sloan, of Columbia, was killed Saturday when lightning took the wire on the outside.

And Now She's Nellie b' Jinks.

Because all her friends called her "Nellie Be Darned", Miss Nellie Blanche Darn of Campaign, Ill., was married to Clyde M. Jinks.

Negro Killed by a Train.

A negro section hand of Central, while working on the railroad track, was hit by a train Wednesday and was fatally injured.

HEAVY DEATH TOLL

ST. LOUIS CLUB HOUSE FIRE RESULTS IN THIRTY DEAD

FLAMES FLARE IN NIGHT

More Than a Score Lose Lives When Unexplained Fire Guts Seven-Story Club House—Manager and Wife Badly Burned in Saving Fifth Floor Guests.

That from thirty to thirty-five guests of the Missouri Athletic club, located at St. Louis, perished in the flames that destroyed the building Monday morning is the present belief of officers of the club. Seven bodies have been recovered and from twenty-three to twenty-nine occupants of the structure are still unaccounted for. At sundown firemen continued the search for bodies in the smoldering ruins under the glare of searchlights.

The cause of the fire was a mystery. Reports that the blaze was accompanied by a terrific explosion, indicating that the fire was due to efforts of bank robbers to dynamite the Boatmen's Bank, were unconfirmed. The fire was discovered by a woman, who was waiting in the club lobby for her escort. She saw the reflection of the flames in the plate glass windows across the street.

When firemen arrived flames were shooting out of the roof and all the windows above the second floor. Men were jumping from windows or climbing down ropes made of bed clothes. More than a dozen jumped several stories to roofs of adjoining buildings and suffered broken legs or less serious injuries. Those who escaped unhurt ran about the streets in night clothes apparently frenzied, until they were forcibly carried into neighboring hotels.

Thirty-eight guests on the fifth floor were awakened by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Magill, who refused to leave until they had given the alarm to all within reach. Mr. Magill was house manager of the club. Mrs. Magill was badly burned.

The fire fighters repeatedly dodged one falling wall only to find themselves under another tottering mass of granite and brick. Theodore Levy of Louisville, Ky., clung to a window sill until both his hands were scorched almost black. Just as he was about to let go a fireman grasped him about the waist and carried him down a ladder. Levy said two of the men who had been killed jumped from the window to which he had clung.

As walls and floors collapsed they sent showers of huge embers on to roofs of neighboring buildings and for a time threatened to cause a general conflagration in the heart of the retail district. All fire fighting apparatus of the city was brought to the scene.

The telephone operator, a boy, remained at his post on the ground floor even after the firemen began pouring water into the building. Many of the guests credited their escape to him.

At six o'clock Monday morning, four hours after the fire had been discovered, the blaze was believed to have been under control. Half an hour later, however, the boilers in the basement began to explode and for the first time the firemen under order of their chief withdrew from the street immediately in front of the building. It was feared the last two remaining walls would collapse and bury them.

Judge C. Orrick Bishop, assistant circuit attorney, roomed on the sixth floor. "The sound of flames crackling like giant firecrackers awakened me," said Judge Bishop. "There was a fire escape in front of my window. I ran down the six flights. I saw several men jump and bounce off the sidewalk like rubber balls. I was only slightly bruised."

SAVED COLORADO MONEY.

Both Sides in Strike Zone Quiet While Congressmen Were Present.

Representative James F. Byrnes returned to Washington Thursday from Colorado with the other members of the sub-committee of the committee on mines, which has for a month been investigating the coal strike in that state. Mr. Byrnes said that the committee had been kept ardently at work and was almost worn out. Both sides in the strike were on their good behavior while the sub-committee was in Colorado and the governor was able to withdraw the militia, declaring to the congressmen when they left that their visit had saved the state \$100,000. Mr. Byrnes remarked, with a smile, that fighting commenced again in the mining district almost immediately after the sub-committee departed.

Aims at Snow; Kills Woman.

Mrs. Joseph H. Schwab, 71 years old, of Catsaqua, Pa., was instantly killed when David Schnellhammer, 19 years old, shot at a snowball. The bullet struck Mrs. Schwab in the head.

Snoring Caused Riot.

Because Joseph Post, a sleeper in a Patterson, N. J. mission house, snored so loud the other sleepers rose up in revolt. Post was taken to a hospital as the result of injuries received.

Policeman Shoots Robbers.

In a running fight with three robbers at Brooklyn Saturday a lone policeman and two of the robbers were fatally wounded.

Fatal Fight in a Cab.

M. E. Cole, a fireman on an Alabama railroad was killed Friday by his engineer, following a fight in the cab.

School House Is Burned.

Red Knoll school house near Lexington was destroyed by a supposedly incendiary fire Monday night.

Oil Explosion Fires House.

The explosion of a lamp at Edgely Thursday night destroyed the home of Mrs. Kate Lynch.

WILL CUT OUT SMOKING

TILLMAN'S RESOLUTION PASSES ALMOST UNANIMOUSLY.

Galleries Cheer Speaker as He Makes Address Promising His Colleagues a Longer Life.

In calling up his resolution to prohibit smoking during the executive sessions of the Senate, in the cloak rooms, Senator Tillman Monday afternoon made explanatory comment which interested and amused the galleries to such an extent that the vice-president had to check their applause. The resolution was adopted almost unanimously without a roll call.

The Senator addressed his colleagues for perhaps fifteen minutes, explaining that previous to his illness four years ago "the smell of tobacco had not affected his health, but that ever since then he had been unable to endure it. Among other things he said:

"A majority of the Senators are smokers, and unfortunately, a vicious habit has so mastered them that they are nervous and miserable when they do not get the nicotine poison which soothes their nerves. I have found my Democratic colleagues so intent on gratifying their feverish desire to smoke that they feel compelled to light cigars in the caucus, so that I have almost had to leave or sit by an open window, for my very life depends upon a full supply of pure air. So I am beset with the danger of being driven out of the party and of the Senate itself, and I do not know where to turn."

"I believe I would lengthen the life of every man in this chamber from six to fifteen years if I could only get them to believe what I tell them and follow my advice. I owe what degree of recovery I have made—and I am constantly being told that I look a great deal better, and I know it is so—to will-power and self-control in eating."

"Since I was paralyzed four years ago, and read my own obituary, twenty-one senators, including Vice-President Sherman, most of them younger than I, have died. Just for the sake of refreshing your minds, and impressing you, I give you the list as copied from the Record. No wonder, as I look around the chamber and see the changes that have come and miss the many old familiar faces, I feel as though I were serving with ghosts as well as living men."

"There is no doubt in the world to my mind that this great mortality among us is due to the way we live in Washington. A fitting epitaph for most of the senators who have died in service would be: 'He lived not wisely but to well, and killed himself eating.' Indeed, that can be said about most men and women in official life in Washington."

KILLING NEAR COWARDS.

Fatal Shooting.

Saturday night about 10 o'clock about two miles above Cowards in Florence county, Herbert Evans, Sam Evans and Jesse Evans, all brothers, and John B. Miles, Troy Miles and Bishop Huggins were filling up a line ditch between the Evanses and John B. Hicks. John B. Hicks, upon being informed that these men were at work filling up the ditch, it is said, immediately got his shot gun from his residence and went to the spot where the men were working and, it is alleged, without a word, shot into the crowd and wounded Sam Evans and Troy Miles.

From the information gathered it seems that either one of the Evans brothers, Miles or Huggins at once opened fire on John B. Hicks and fatally wounded him, Hicks exclaiming, "Don't shoot any more; you have killed me; take me home," death resulting immediately. The trouble, it is said, arose about the line ditch between Hicks and the Evans boys, which has been standing for years, and it appears that both sides were well armed and ready to kill.

WANTS IT PAID FOR.

Lever Wants Government to Pay for Destruction of Ursuline Convent.

Representative Lever introduced a bill in the House Wednesday directing the secretary of the treasury to pay \$350,000 to the Ursuline Convent, at Columbia, for the destruction of the convent by Federal troops under General Sherman in 1865. Many corroborative documents were filed with the bill. Mr. Lever is pushing the claim not only because it believes it just, but because he wishes to establish in the national records the truth of history as it is borne out by the facts. There is a widespread impression in the north that Confederate troops did it.

Cop Shoots Negro Burglar.

Seeing a negro climbing through the transom of a Spartanburg grocery store, who refused to come down as ordered, a Spartanburg policeman shot him through the foot, receiving the laconic reply: "All right, cap, I'm acoming."

Baby Killed by Powder Blast.

George Seno, a three-year-old boy of Punxsutawney, Pa., heated a poker and placed it in a keg of powder. The explosion wrecked the house and killed the child. The mother, who was upstairs, was badly burned.

Negroes in Jail Try to Kill.

George and William Hart, two of the negroes sentenced to death for murdering Mrs. Seth Irby, Saturday attempted to hang Robert Paschal, their partner in the crime, in the Atlanta penitentiary Saturday.

Killed While Hunting.

Hamp Guinn of Gibson was killed last Saturday afternoon by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hand of a young lad who was out hunting with him.

Bandits Get \$14,000.

Two bandits, armed with revolvers, Friday afternoon secured the payroll of a St. Louis shoe factory by holding up the treasurer. It amounted to \$14,000.

Oil Plant Burns.

Thirty-two buildings and 100 barrels of oil were destroyed Monday at Kiefer, Okla.

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